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**White House Announces Nominee for
Federal Judgeship in District of Nevada**

SAN FRANCISCO – President Obama has nominated Professor Anne Rachel Traum of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, William S. Boyd School of Law, to serve as a district judge of the United States District Court for the District of Nevada. The White House announced the nomination on Thursday (April 28, 2016).

Upon Senate confirmation, Professor Traum will fill a judicial vacancy created when District Judge Robert C. Jones took senior status on February 1, 2016.

Professor Traum, who is on leave from the law school, is currently serving as special counsel in the Office for Access to Justice at the U.S. Department of Justice. She joined the UNLV Boyd School of Law faculty in 2008. She has directed the school's Appellate Clinic since 2009 and served previously as the associate dean for the experiential legal education from 2013 to 2015.

Earlier in her career, Professor Traum worked in the Office of the Federal Public Defender in Las Vegas, where she served as assistant federal defender from 2002 to 2008. She also served as an assistant U.S. attorney for the District of Nevada from 2000 to 2002, while on detail from the DOJ's Environmental and Natural Resources Division, where she worked from 1998 to 2000.

Professor Traum received her A.B., with honors, from Brown University in 1991 and her J.D., Order of the Coif and cum laude, from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law in 1996. Following law school, she clerked for Judge Stanwood R. Duval, Jr., of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada had 3,533 new case filings in fiscal year 2015. The court is authorized 7 judgeships and currently has one vacancy.

Appointed under Article III of the Constitution, federal district court judges are nominated by the president, confirmed by the Senate and serve lifetime appointments upon good behavior.

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